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For: METHOD FOR ENHANCING INSULATION MATERIALS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated January 29, 2002, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following claims. A marked-up version of the claims showing changes made appears after the remarks.

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1 (amended). A method for enhancing insulation materials without increasing the weight, thickness or density of said materials, which comprises adding to a fabric that is attached to said materials an amount, effective for the purpose of enhancing said insulation, of a metal-coated material, thereby replacing a corresponding amount of said insulation materials with said metal-coated material, wherein said insulation materials are selected from the group consisting of fiberglass, fiberfill, ceramic and cellulosic materials.

Please delete claims 2 and 3, without prejudice.

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4 (amended). The method as recited in claim 1 wherein said metal-coated material is included as a single layer.

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